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Malden Historic District (4008 Malden Drive) Malden Kanawha County West Virginia

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HISTORIC AMERICAN BUILDINGS SURVEY

MALDEN HISTORIC DISTRICT, 4008 Malden Drive

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Location:

4008 Malden Drive, Malden, Kanawha County, West Virginia (Within the boundaries of the Malden Historic District)

Present Owner:

Ernest E. Holbrook, 3928 Draper Drive, Malden, West

Virginia 25306.

Present Use:

Commercial structure, tavern and warehouse.

Significance:

This relatively recent building does not contribute to the generally 19th-century character of Malden but is nevertheless a part of the streetscape which forms the present-day commercial/residential aspect of the community.

PART I. ARCHITECTURAL INFORMATION

A. General Statement:

- Architectural character: This structure, used as a tavern and warehouse, is constructed of ceramic-faced blocks, aluminum siding, and stuccoed concrete blocks and is considered intrusive in the historic setting of Malden.
- 2. Condition of fabric: This relatively new building is maintained with moderate care.

B. Description of Exterior:

- 1. Over-all dimensions: This building is approximately 78'-3" in width and 47'-0" in depth. Five structural bays are arrayed across the two-story street facade.
- 2. Wall construction, finish and color: Ceramic-faced structural blocks are the exterior wall surface for most of the street facade, being an off-white color. Above these blocks, white aluminum siding is used. Other exterior walls consist of concrete block covered with stucco.
- 3. Porches, stoops, bulkheads, etc.: No porch structures occur at present, although three cantilever supports penetrate the street facade suggesting that they might have supported a roof structure above the entry doors.

4. Openings:

a. Doorways and doors: The street front has three doors, one of metal and the other two of glazed aluminum construction.

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- b. Windows and shutters: Four large window openings occur at the first floor level on the street facade. One is still a large glazed opening with an aluminum frame. The other three are now closed with plywood panels. Two of the latter group have a small diamond-shape glazed opening centered in each plywood panel. At the attic level, five pairs of fixed metal-sash windows occur.
- 5. Roof: The roof structure is a simple gabled assembly covered in green asphalt shingles. No overhangs occur.

C. Site:

- 1. General setting: The building faces west onto Malden Drive, being separated from it by a large parking area.
- 2. Historic landscape design: It has been reported that the current structure replaced a church located on the same site.

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PART II. PROJECT INFORMATION

This project was undertaken by the Historic American Buildings Survey (HABS) with funding from the West Virginia Department of Culture and History. The recording was completed under the direction of John Poppeliers, Chief of HABS, and Kenneth L. Anderson, Principal Architect of HABS, in the HABS field office in Charleston, West Virginia. Recording was carried out during the summer of 1979 by James Murray Howard (University of Illinois), Project Supervisor; Donna White, Project Historian; and Student Architects James Barrett Garrison (Carnegie-Mellon University) and Keith Edward Soto (University of Florida). The photographs were taken by Walter Smalling, Jr., Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service Photographer.